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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

To whom it may concern;

Please consider this a vote AGAINST the current Microsoft anti-trust settlement. I feel that the current settlement will do little to stem the rising tide of Microsoft monopoly abuses; in its current form Microsoft can easily pay tremendous fines unfazed; or pay lip service to any well intentioned restrictions while doggedly pursuing (as they are currently with Windows XP) further abusive strategies while 'redefining' the market, products, and tactics to make those abuses technically not covered by the settlement. Microsoft has shown itself to be an abusive monopoly, willing to pursue even the most reprehensible courses of action to ensure their dominance. I strongly suspect that only fundamental structural changes to Microsoft (ie, a breakup) will have any lasting benefit for the citizens of the USA.

Sincerely

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